Nemeth Code Update to Orientation §4c

Technical and Non-Technical Texts

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The BANA Tactile Graphics committee has recommended that a transcriber's note be inserted on the Transcriber's Note page of any braille volume containing tactile graphics. This transcriber's note should indicate that the graphics were produced in accordance with the *Guidelines for Tactile Graphics, 2010*. The BANA Mathematics Braille Technical Committee has determined that this language be inserted in **§4.c.** The BANA Board approved this update August 2014. This change is effective immediately.

> Any braille volume that contains one or more tactile graphics must contain a note on the transcriber's notes page stating that the Guidelines and Standards for Tactile Graphics were used in the preparation of the tactile graphics, giving the year the guidelines were adopted.

The complete updated **§4.c.** is as follows:

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§4. Technical and Non-Technical Texts:

c. *Technical* works are those in the fields of mathematics, statistics, physics, or chemistry. In such works the symbols and rules of this Code must be used. They must also be used in works in other fields which make strong use of mathematical signs and modes of expression. In all technical works the transcriber must indicate at the beginning of each volume by means of a transcriber's note that the work has been transcribed in Nemeth Code, giving the year the code was adopted. Even when the Nemeth Code is used, title pages must be transcribed as in English Braille without the use of Nemeth Code symbols, except for items which

contain mathematical expressions for which it would be inappropriate or impractical to use English Braille. It is not necessary to list Nemeth symbols on the Special Symbols page of any technical transcription in which they are used. Symbols devised by the transcriber must be listed on the Special Symbols page. Symbols on the title page are transcribed as required by the current literary code. Such symbols found within the text on all other pages of the volume must conform to Nemeth usage. Although the symbols for copyright ©, trademark ™, and registered trademark ® are spaced as in print on the title page according to the literary code, in all other pages of a technical transcription they are spaced away from the word or number to which they apply. This is to avoid confusion with the superscript indicator.

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